Buckingham basketball

Girls' team looks tough

Buckingham County High School's girls' basketball team surprised a lot of people in the Seminole District last season.

After finishing with records of 2-16 and 1-17 in its first two years of Seminole District play, the Lady Knights last year stormed back to record a respectable 10-8 record in the tough high school district.

Three of the starting five from last year's squad are returning to play again this year for Buckingham. They are Alice Apperson, who plays center and sees some duty at forward; and Johnnice Brown and Vanessa Garrett, both of whom play at the forward positions.

Lady Knight Coach Shirley McDaniel says that two sophomores up from last year's junior varsity team -- Donna Gormus and Rhonda Johnson -- will likely fill out the starting five for Buckingham this season.

Joining the starting five on this season's squad will be Deborah Anderson, a senior guard playing for the first time this year; Martha Bolden, a sophomore forward up from last year's junior varsity squad; Angela Ford, a junior guard playing for the first time this season; and Trina Allen, a sophomore forward up from last year's junior varsity squad.

McDaniel notes that there were some problems filling the team this year. As of press time, Allen's playing status was contingent upon her getting the required physical examination and approval. "We may have one more player before the season starts," McDaniel said last week. "We haven't been able to really scrimmage among ourselves because we didn't have enough

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THE 1983 LADY KNIGHT VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM: Front (from left) - Captains Alice Apperson and Johnice Brown; Standing (from left) - Rhonda Johnson, Trina Allen, Martha Bolden, Vanessa Garrett, Donna Gormus, Deborah Anderson, Angela Ford, Coach Shirley McDaniel.

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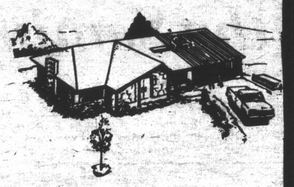

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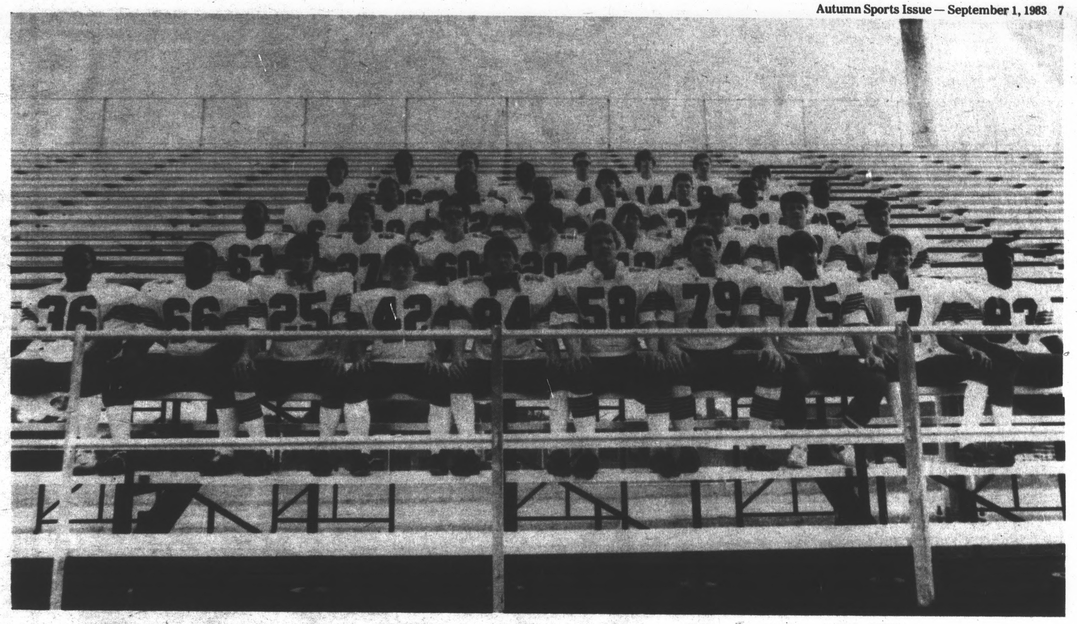

The 1983 Red Devil Varsity Football Team

Rustburg will rely on strong line to balance inexperience in backfield

Coach Ray Wade's Rustburg Red Devils varsity football team lost five starters from last year's squad, which compiled a 4-6 record.

Offensively, the Red Devils have three returning starting linemen from the 1982 team. They are guards Troy Manuel and Preston Petty, and tackle Mark Williamson.

While the Red Devils have no starters returning from last year's offensive backfield, the team does have Bernard Jefferson and Kirk Owens, who saw considerable playing time at the split end position in 1982.

Junior Brian Anderson will start at quarterback this season, according to Wade. Mickey Paige, another junior, will pull duty at fullback and tailback, the coach adds. Sophomore Eric Elliott will also see some time at the tailback slot on the Red Devil offense, according to the coach.

Ron Tweedy and Gerry Crance, both sophomores, will work from the wide receiver slot on the 1983 version of the Rustburg football squad, and Dwight Jones, a senior, will nail down the offensive line at tight end.

The balance of the interior line will be filled by Mike Anderson, a sophomore who will play offensive guard, and Stan Stanley, a senior who will play at the center of the line.

On Defense, the Red Devils will use Marshall Tweedy, Lynn Jefferson and LeAngelo Wood at the end positions. The interior of the defensive line will be anchored by Troy Manuel, Page Petty and Mark Williamson.

Mickey Paige, Dwight Jones and Paul Harvey will play in the linebacker slots for the Red Devil defense this season, Wade notes. The defensive backfield will be filled by Barnard Jefferson, Ron Tweedy, Doug Engelke, Gerry Crance and Eric Elliott.

In the past, the Red Devils have used mostly a 6-2 defensive configuration. Wade says that this year, the team will experiment with a 5-2 defense, using a mixture of the 6-2 and 5-3 against their opponents.

Offensively, Rustburg this year will run mainly out of the I formation using two wide receivers. This marks a change from Red Devil offensive formations of past years, when the wishbone configuration was used mostly.

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Red Devil Grid Roster

RUSTBURG HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY FOOTBALL ROSTER

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	Year
1	Brian Anderson	QB	6-0	152	Jr.
2	Greg Smith	B	5-7	135	Jr.
3	Barry Clark	B	5-6	135	Jr.
6	Bernard Jefferson	E	5-9	136	Jr.
7	Jay Kerr	E	5-10	132	Sr.
8	Rich Marilla	E	5-9	142	Soph.
14	Craig Roberts	QB	5-11	143	Soph.
18	Ron Tweedy	DB	5-10	152	Soph.
20	Doug Engleke	DB	5-9	160	Jr.
25	Kirk Owens	E	5-10	145	Sr.
27	Sam Epps	E	6-0	166	Jr.
31	Earl Brown	B	5-7	145	Soph.
32	Mickey Paige	LB	5-11	192	Jr.
34	Eric Elliott	RB	5-6	154	Soph.
35	LeAngelo Wood	LB	5-9	170	Soph.
36	Dwight Jones	LB	5-9	193	Sr.
37	Brad Hirtz	B	5-9	135	Soph.
42	Steve Glass	B	5-3	152	Sr.
44	Gerry Crance	RB	5-8	155	Soph.
48	Todd Marr	LB	5-8	147	Soph.
54	Steve Fitch	L	5-7	151	Soph.
58	Stan Stanley	C	6-0	182	Sr.
60	Mike Gordon	L	6-0	158	Jr.
62	Eric Jackson	L	5-11	186	Soph.
63	Marshall Tweedy	L	5-9	173	Sr.
64	Mike Anderson	L	6-0	190	Soph.
66	Preston Petty	L	5-9	265	Sr.
73	Charles Brooks	L	5-4	186	Sr.
75	Troy Manuel	L	5-9	197	Sr.
78	Phil Smith	L	5-6	171	Soph.
79	Mark Williamson	L	6-0	215	Sr.
81	Gary Stanley	K	5-10	186	Soph.
83	Lynn Jefferson	L	5-7	186	Sr.
84	Paul Harvey	LB	5-9	150	Sr.
86	Tracy Scott	E	6-1	161	Soph.

Head Coach..... Ray Wade
Jayvee Coach..... Robert Miller
Assistant Coaches..... Mike Bennett, Bill Herndon, Ed Landis, Bedford Luck
Managers..... Keith Tweedy, Matthew Anderson